



FAMILY NEWS

Upcoming Events:

November 14:
Youth “Friendsgiving”
Dinner

November 18:
FIT Food List
spaghetti sauce and noo-
dles, peanut butter, jelly,
boxes of cereal, canned
fruit, mac & cheese, cash
donations

November 18:
Community Thanksgiving
Service at Icehouse Am-
phitheater at 5:00 pm

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Missions: Mike, Kris and Kaylee Bridges
- AIM: Hannah Baker, Kaylee Bridges, Donnie Guill (Mission UpReach)
- Nathaniel and Alexis Goodley-Washington, D.C.
- Grayson Carter-Ft. Riley
- Steve & Erma Izard
- Patrick Hutto
- Robin Smith
- Lisa Smith- Karen Oliver’s Sister
- Gene Lowe-Vern Lowe’s Father
- Marcello Assenza-Christine Stewart’s Father
- Tom Dominick
- Chester Warren
- Mark Black, Kris Black’s Father
- AJ & Jeanie McElfresh
- Leah Crocker
- George Westerman
- Kelli Daniel
- Karyl Buress
- Kathy Alexander & Family
- Brenda Kramer-Rice & Family
- KJ Binnicker
- Fritz Stewart-George Stewart’s Father

RICH MAN AND LAZARUS
PART 2

The rich man in Luke 16 found his identity in the fact that he was rich. Once that was gone, all was lost. He had no hope. In verse 23, we find the rich man in Hades, where he was in torment. He asks Abraham to send Lazarus to “*dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue.*” This would be the job of a servant of slave. As inappropriate as it might be, the rich man is still trying to order Lazarus around. There has been a complete reversal of roles, but the rich man is blind to it. He is still clinging to his old identity and status. In his mind he is the rich man, the one who should be served. Let Lazarus serve me, even in the after-life. This level of denial is astonishing.

In verses 27-28 we read; *send Lazarus to my family, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.* He asks for Lazarus to be sent to warn his brothers. They need a proper warning. The implication is that he did not have a warning. Did you notice what he did not ask for? He did not ask for forgiveness. The rich man does not believe he is guilty of anything. It’s not his fault.

The rich man found his identity in being rich and clung to it even in torment. He does not ask for forgiveness and he does not ask to be allowed to leave. He is Hades and still clings to his old identity without apology or plea.

C. S. Lewis and some prominent theologians have an interesting idea about hell. They say that hell is just your freely chosen identity going on forever. Hell is always something you choose, and you are there only as long as you choose. Of course, no one chooses to leave. They cannot make another choice because they love the identity they chose in life.

In our deepest thoughts, we either ask God to be our God or we ask Him to leave us alone. In Romans chapter one, Paul explains the wrath of God. He uses the same phrase three times. “God gave them over.” He finally let them have their way. It is not a matter of God deciding to punish them. He just “gave them over” to their own choices.

If anyone does not eventually say to God, “Thy will be done.” God will one day say, “okay, have it your way, **thy** will be done.” We must be people who bow our knees before God and earnestly pray, “Thy will be done.” Whose will do we want to be done in our lives? This is the question that will determine where we spend eternity.

Grace and peace,
The Shepherds

ASSEMBLY TIMES

SUNDAY WORSHIP
9:30AM

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS
11:00 AM

WEDNESDAY
BIBLE STUDY
7:00 PM

November 11th, 2018
Weekly Statistics

AM Bible Class: 59
AM Bible Class Avg: 74

AM Assembly: 125
AM Assembly Avg: 132

Contribution: \$9,272.00
YTD Average Weekly:
\$7,676.00

Weekly Budget: \$7,918.62

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Sign Up To Help:

December Goodies
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084aa5ad2fa0f94-december>
Suzanne Kennedy
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b054cacaf2ca2fe3-rides>
Geoffrey Cottrell
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0f4baeab29a4fc1-rides>

Anniversaries:

11.8 Stephen & Amanda Wood
11.10 Jason & Meredith Falls
11.16 KJ & Sammie Binnicker
11.23 Juan & Lucy Ortiz
11.28 Ernie & Karen Oliver

Birthdays:

11.14 Larry Baker
11.19 Leigh Ann Cox

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Opportunities to Serve
November 18th, 2018

Worship:
Connor Watkins

Sound Room:
Ruben Macedo
Mike Spane

Lord’s Supper Comments:
Ernie Oliver

Servers in November:
Robin Akers
Nicholas Joy
Corey Wisniewski
Larry Baker
Eduardo Diaz

**Door Greeters in
November:**
Mike Spane
Carol Brown

Nursery:
Tracy Jex
Kayla Kneece

Toddler:
Christine Stewart
Sara Hanle

Children’s Church:
Cale Ferguson

Communion Prep:
Carol Brown
Barbara Thompson

Coffee Clean-Up:
Karen Bost

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YOUTH NEWS

Wow! It seems like we just jumped straight through fall and right into winter! As I walked across the campus at Lipscomb for my last class of the semester on Saturday morning, it was 23 degrees outside. It’s a good thing I thought to bring my winter coat! It looks like I’m going to need to keep it out for the next several days. Being a Florida girl, I’m not so fond of the cold weather, but I do love the fall colors, and the Thanks-giving holiday!

Tonight we are celebrating Thanks-giving by having our second annual “Friendsgiving” with the youth group at 7pm at the church. This is a great opportunity to invite friends, bring a snack or dessert to share, and come enjoy the blessings of friendship, fellowship and food. I hope that everyone will take an hour out of their busy week to come in order to bless others and to be blessed by others.

from different adults throughout the semester regarding different characters of the Bible. If you are an adult that is interested in teaching one of these classes, please get in touch with me ASAP. I’d love to put you on the list!

If your teen is interested in attending Winterfest, the deadline to sign up and pay the \$75 deposit is coming up (Dec 2nd). This event is for MS and HS students, and their friends, and it is on the weekend of Feb 15-17th. The total cost is \$150 which includes the tickets, hotel, transportation, and some meals. The sign-up sheet is on the kiosk in the youth room. I will need some adults to help chaperone this event, so please let me know if you can help in this way.

Dawn

On Sunday morning we will have classes for our teens, college students, and parents. There are just a couple of classes left for the parents. This week we will be wrapping up our discussion on *Impressionable Relationships*, so please come prepared to talk about who might be the 8-10 adults that will come alongside you to help set your child’s faith foundation. The teens will continue to hear